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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Maiorella *et al.*

Confirmation No.: 9747

Appl. No.: 09/867,948

Group Art Unit: 1653

Filed: May 30, 2001

Examiner: Samuel W. Liu

For: METHOD OF INCREASING PRODUCT EXPRESSION THROUGH
SOLUTE STRESS

January 29, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of one month to respond to the Office Action dated September 30, 2002.
2. Applicant is a small entity; other than a small entity.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

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Total Months <u>Requested</u>	Fee For Other <u>Than Small Entity</u>	Fee for <u>Small Entity</u>
one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
two months	\$410.00	\$205.00
three months	\$930.00	\$465.00
four months	\$1,450.00	\$725.00
five months*	\$1,970.00	\$985.00

*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.

Fee Enclosed \$110.00

- Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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